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Barlow is the Leading Spring Wheat Variety in North Dakota

Barlow is the leading spring wheat variety in North Dakota with 941,100 acres planted statewide. It accounts for 17.2 percent of the 5.50 million acres of spring wheat planted in 2012. Glenn ranks second with 14.4 percent of the spring wheat acreage. Faller represents 13.1 percent of the spring wheat planted and ranks third. Vantage ranks fourth with 5.5 percent of the spring wheat acres planted. Brennan accounts for 4.9 percent of the spring wheat acreage and ranks fifth. RB07 ranks sixth and accounts for 4.1 percent of the spring wheat planted. Mott and Briggs are tied for seventh and represent 3.1 percent of the spring wheat acreage. These top eight varieties account for 65.4 percent of the spring wheat planted in 2012. North Dakota continues to rank first in spring wheat planted acreage in the United States, with 45.9 percent of the nation's estimated 12.0 million acres planted.

Divide is the leading Durum wheat variety for the fourth consecutive year. Divide accounts for 30.4 percent of the 1.40 million acres planted compared with 32.5 in 2011 and 26.6 percent in 2010. Alkabo and Mountrail rank second and third, respectively, with 14.7 and 13.3 percent of the Durum wheat acres. Lebsock ranks fourth in Durum wheat acreage with 10.3 percent, and Grenora ranks fifth with 10.2 percent. These top five varieties account for 78.9 percent of the Durum wheat acreage in North Dakota. Once again, North Dakota ranks first in Durum wheat planted acreage with 63.5 percent of the nation's estimated 2.20 million acres planted.

Jerry accounts for 35.0 percent of the 2012 winter wheat planted acreage in North Dakota, marking the ninth consecutive year as the most popular winter wheat variety. CDC Falcon and Overland rank second and third, respectively, with 10.8 and 6.6 percent of the winter wheat acres planted. Hawken ranks fourth with 5.6 percent of the winter wheat acreage planted in North Dakota.

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